

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-9.

Claim 10. (Original) A device for minimizing cigarette sidestream smoke and reducing free-burn rate of a burning cigarette, said device comprising:

- i) a non-combustible tubular element encasing an effective length of a tobacco charge of a cigarette located in said tubular element; and
- ii) said tubular element comprising ceramic material and having a means for both minimizing sidestream smoke emission from a burning tobacco charge and reducing free-burn rate of such burning tobacco charge to increase number of puffs from said burning tobacco charge.

Claim 11. (Original) A device for minimizing cigarette sidestream smoke and reducing free-burn rate of a burning cigarette, said device comprising:

- i) a non-combustible tubular element encasing an effective length of a tobacco charge of a cigarette located in said tubular element; and
- ii) said tubular element comprising ceramic material and having a porosity for both minimizing sidestream smoke emission from a burning tobacco charge and reducing free-burn rate of such burning tobacco charge to increase number of puffs from said burning tobacco charge.